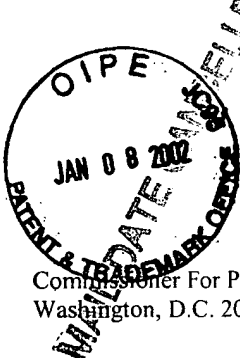


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Re: Application No.: 10/056,926
First Inventor: Justin F. Gaynor
Group Art Unit: 2812
Atty. Docket No.: M-12018 US
Title: In-Situ Treatment Of Low-K Films With A Silylating Agent After Exposure To Oxidizing Environments
Assignee: Novellus Systems, Inc.

Confirmation No.: 4011
Filing Date: January 24, 2002
Examiner: Thanhha S. Pham

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard;
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
- (3) Petition for Extension of Time (1 page); and
- (4) Response to Office Action (2 pages).

☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| | Claims Remaining <u>After Amendment</u> | | Highest No. Previously <u>Paid For</u> | | Present <u>Extra</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Additional Fee</u> |
|--|---|-------|--|---|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Total Claims | 26 | Minus | 47 | = | 0 | x \$18.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Independent Claims | 2 | Minus | 6 | = | 0 | x \$84.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Fee of \$ _____ for the first filing of one or more multiple dependent claims | | | | | | \$ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Fee for Request for Extension of Time (one-month) | | | | | | \$ 110.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Fee for _____ | | | | | | \$ |
| <u>Total additional fee for this Amendment:</u> | | | | | | | \$ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-2386 in the amount of _____ | | | | | | \$ 110.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: If an extension of time is required, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the necessary fee from Deposit Account No. 19-2386. | | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Also, charge any additional fees required and credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-2386. | | | | | | |

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